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JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET

The annual Junior-Senior Banquet was celebrated at Dayton's Hotel Aqua on the evening of April 29th. Decorated with unique stage properties, the banquet room, resembling the deck of a ship and the ocean with a southern shore in the distance, was softly illuminated by a paper moon in a cardboard sky.

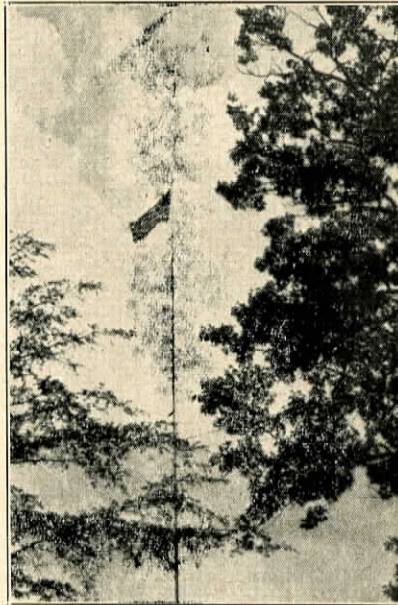
The theme "Sailing—A Voyage in Fancy's Realm," was appropriately followed in menu and program design. John Quimby, a member of the Junior class, acted as toastmaster, introducing those sharing a place in the program.

Such "salt-caked" tunes as "Sailing, Sailing" and "Barnacle Bill the Sailor" were presented in group singing and in a dramatic duet by Lillian Borgard and Forest Lance. Sea-faring poems, piano solos, and an original reading interspersed the tasty courses and were presented by Ward Tressler, Anna Kettenring, and Joyce Brubaker. A girl's chorus composed of Lillian Borgard, Bethel Smith, Cleo Graham and Alice Northrup, sang "Sweet and Low."

The address of the evening was given by the Rev. Carl A. Howell, pastor of the Avondale Baptist Church of Chattanooga. As the anchor of the good ship *Harmony* was dropped, the group sang "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me" and went ashore with the wish that the voyage might have been longer.—V. S.

HELP! HELP!

It is our desire to send a large two-color picture bulletin of the University to evangelical pastors, for hanging on their church bulletin boards. We have the names of 1,600 such pastors and need 900 more. You can help us considerably by sending us a list of the evangelical pastors in your neighborhood or city. Please give the name, address, and the name of the church of which he is pastor. Will you please take the time to send us that list? It will be a real help to us. Any duplicates from other friends can be easily detected; so send us all the names you can. Thank you in advance!



Gift of the Class of 1946

FINANCIAL PROGRESS

University creditors, many of whom are loyal friends of the University, are offering liberal discounts, provided settlement can be made of their accounts in the near future. In many cases a dollar will do the work of two dollars toward debt reduction; so this is the time for our contributor friends to make their gifts to the University count for the most. One hundred percent of designated gifts will be used for debt reduction. The larger our undesignated gift income, the larger the proportion that will be used for debts. Let everyone pray. Let those who can, give. Let us get out of debt.

SUNRISE AT BRYAN

The low, gray clouds in the east moved slowly aside, making way for the golden rays of the sun.

It was Easter morning and the Bryan University family was gathered out of doors to rejoice in the resurrection of our Lord. Even the hillsides broke forth into singing as

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INDEPENDENT OR DEPENDENT?

"Though positively a Christian institution, the University is denominationally unrelated and invites as applicants for admission those of all denominations. The Bible teaching is definitely sound and scriptural."

The above statement appears in the William Jennings Bryan University catalog each year to explain the fact that, as supporters, trustees, staff members, and students, we have many denominations represented. Some are members of churches which are "non-sectarian" or "non-denominational" in the sense that they are not related to the older denominations. There are few churches altogether unrelated to other churches. Even they (as does the University) have a platform or statement of faith which "denominates" them.

Probably at no time in history has there been more heated discussion, relative to church "independence" and "separation," than during recent years. The William Jennings Bryan University would never have been founded had apostasy not crept in to many denominations and denominational schools. It is only natural that the Bryan University should be thought of in connection with the "independent" church movement. The position of the University, as to doctrine, is definitely stated in the charter. May the time never come when our platform is changed as to doctrine. The position of the University as to control and fellowship is stated in the Charter and established by practice. We welcome as friends, as staff members, and as students all of those whom God leads in to our fellowship. We accept Christ as our Lord and we do not try to take His place over the brethren. Dr. Harris H. Gregg stated our position when he told many inquiring individuals to do what Christ told them to do. Perhaps God has limited us so that we would not feel "independent" and in a position to lord it over the brethren. Our sentiments are expressed perfectly in the following article by our friend Mr. R. M. Max-

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SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Fifty per cent is not a passing grade, but the Seniors were grimly satisfied when half of them managed a clean get-away in the annual Senior Sneak, and the other fifty per cent nearly made it, except for unforeseen last-minute complications. The girls drove off the hill without being noticed, but the boys were caught like sitting ducks when everyone was in his place except the driver of the car. The element of surprise was maintained, however, when the Seniors failed to return that evening as expected. They remained away the entire following day and night, returning the second morning in time for breakfast.

The success of a delightful time was due largely to the kindness of some Dayton friends who gave the use of two cottages on Johnson's Bluff; here the cares of collegiate life were lost in the life of the recluse. The quantity of food belied the fact that rationing existed and the mouths of underclassmen watered as the returned weary travelers told of the quantities of eggs consumed at breakfast, and of the "seconds" on steak at supper. Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Brownlee, Senior sponsors, accompanied the class.

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At a special service in the library May first, the Senior class dedicated its gift to the school, a tradition among outgoing classes. Realizing the need for more efficient lighting for study, the class purchased eight large fluorescent units and installed them in the library. The great improvement was acclaimed by students and staff, and the Senior class feels amply rewarded by the unanimous acceptance of the gift.—V. S.

We can present nothing to God but what was previously His gift.—Scott.

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well of Charleston, West Virginia, entitled "This is a Dependent Church."

"A Gospel Church which is non-sectarian or non-denominational is often called 'independent.' This is a good designation if thought of in its intended sense, but it also may be misleading. In relation to God it is not independent, but very much dependent. The City Bible Center in one sense is 'independent' but on the other hand we are happy that we can be nothing but 'dependent' upon the great Head of the Church, the Lord Jesus Christ. The position of the City Bible Center is summed up in the following:"

1. We were everyone entirely dependent on God to have mercy on us in salvation.

2. Having passed from death unto life we are absolutely dependent on God to keep us by His power through faith.

3. Having experienced His saving and keeping power, we are utterly dependent on the Holy Spirit to reveal the things of Christ to us.

4. This causes us to be dependent on one another for mutual love and fellowship in the Gospel.

5. In obeying the command of the Lord, Jesus Christ to "preach the Gospel to every creature" we are dependent upon His going before.

6. As the world rebels at the "preaching of the cross" we are more than ever dependent on the "love of God shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us."

7. As the "enemy of all righteousness" attacks through friend and foe, we are blessedly cast in dependence on Him, "Who, when He was reviled, reviled not again."

8. As the blessed Holy Spirit honors the Word of God and souls are saved and saints edified, we are wholly dependent on the grace of God to keep us humble.

9. As the Lord Jesus Christ opens new doors of ministry we are dependent on Him for strength and wisdom to enter.

10. When our race is run we are altogether dependent on the "glorious appearing of the Great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; who gave Himself for us that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works"—"Yes, we are DEPENDENT ON HIM!"

From the Mail Bag

Salem, Virginia

"Of all the letters from various organizations that come to me there is none that seems to me to come more directly from the heart of the Lord than yours; and no work that seems more according to the mind of the Lord than Bryan.

"If the Lord does not come before our two little boys grow up, I hope they will choose Bryan as their college. With greetings to all."

Charleston, West Virginia

"I am much interested in our beloved Bryan, and pray His richest blessings may crown your labor of love there. I shall never cease to thank Him for the blessings Bryan was to me, and I am eager that other young people might have a share in the blessings I received."

Evans City, Pennsylvania

"Sorry we have no students from Evans City at Bryan this year. Have to blame the war for it I guess."

SPOON-FEEDING

A SACRED COW

Ration Food if you will. Ration coffee. Freeze the price of milk. Put a farmer in jail for selling the hind-quarter of a beef killed on his own feed lot. Do anything in the wide world, under the star-spangled dome of heaven to win this war. But if you touch liquor you are just a wall-eyed, crepe-hanging fanatic. Behold the sacred cow who has to be spoon-fed with ambrosia and myrrh! Who-soever tries to ration her diet down to common chop food is condemned into the seventh hell with a white hot waffle iron grid of public opprobrium pressing his tummy and warping his backbone.

WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE

The Sage of Emporia.

—The Voice.

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the chorus rang forth, "He Lives."

The Pastor's Fellowship presented the program, which included a male quartet number by Edward Miller, Forest Lance, Clyde Brogan and Lester Pifer, a vocal solo by Clyde Brogan, and the Easter message given by Forest Lance.

The beauties of nature seemed to draw everyone nearer to the risen Lord, and gave refreshing in spirit.—B. S.

Class of 1944

SAMUEL HEMBERGER

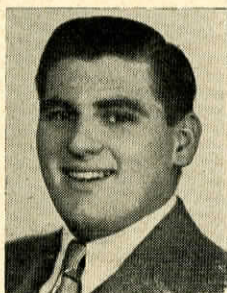
One of the most likable members of the Senior class is Sam Hemberger, who came to Bryan University from Atlantic City, New Jersey.



During his four years at Bryan, Sam has won the respect of the student body and faculty alike with his cheerful disposition and capabilities. Serving as president of his class for three years, he has been a real leader and inspiration. In addition, Sam has been a member of the Student Council, president of the Forensic Union, and a member of the Pastor's Fellowship. His ability has been recognized by the faculty in that he has been chosen for membership in "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities." His activities, however, have not been confined to the school, as Sam has served the Lord faithfully in the Trinity Methodist Church and in the Graysville circuit of the Methodist Church.

CALVIN MILLER

You might just as well start smiling if you feel rather blue when Calvin comes, because sooner or later he'll bring it out of you with his jolly "wise-cracks."



Along with his good humor come many other abilities, one of which we see every time we have a recital or special program. His competence in arranging artistic stage settings and giving last minute instructions has proved invaluable to many. But Calvin doesn't just arrange programs—he gives them as well. Every now and then he delights us with some new reading or song, or perhaps he accompanies someone else in a like adventure.

For the past two years he has been assistant organist at the First Methodist Church in Dayton. The first two were spent in witnessing for the Saviour at Norman's Chapel and at Brayton.

JEAN NEFF

"I Dream of Jeannie with the Light Brown Hair" would in part apply to Jean. We all agree that we could have no one better to dream about, but to dream of her



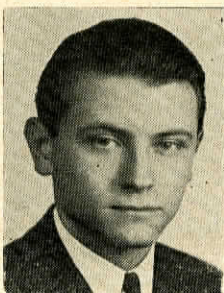
with light brown hair would spoil the picture because we associate beautiful, soft black curls with our Jeannie. Add a cheery smile, a sprinkle of good humor, a pinch of energetic enthusiasm, a dash of appreciation of others, and plenty of sweetness, resulting from a deep prayer life, and you'll have Jean's outstanding characteristics in a nutshell—a favorite dish with us all.

We will also remember Jean for her unusual ability in music and speech. She has portrayed nearly everything from "The Spoiled Brat" to "Romeo," and each time has really thrilled us.

She has been a great help as hostess and assistant dietitian, always making guests feel welcome, and doing her work with efficiency.—J. L. H.

EUGENE ROSENAU

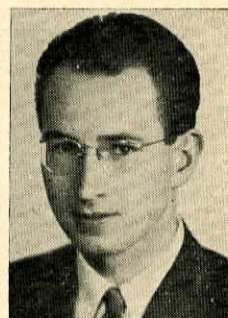
One of the first white babies born in the heart of Africa was Eugene Rosenau. After fifteen years, he came to the United States, where he received his first year of College



in Illinois. As a Sophomore, he entered Bryan University—shy, and reserved, but alert to the new conditions. However, it did not take Cupid long to awaken in Eugene a great interest in a certain girl of his class. Today, the two are dedicated to the Lord's service in Africa. Eugene is a willing worker, ready to co-operate whenever called upon. He is really a jack-of-all trades, but his hobby is photography. We wish him the greatest success as he serves as an Ambassador for Christ.—B. S.

ROBERT ST. JOHN

Robert St. John came to Bryan University from Hudson, Michigan. While here, he has been a member of the choir and Foreign Missions Fellowship. "Bob's"



zeal for winning the lost has been very fruitful and has won the admiration of all who know him. During his college life he has served at various places in Christian Service work, including an assistant pastorate at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Dayton. A Sunday School at Cumberland Springs has been organized through his interest and faithfulness.

Recently, he was licensed by the Chattanooga Presbytery of that Church and is now enrolled to enter Northern Baptist Seminary of Chicago after graduation from Bryan. Before coming to Bryan, Bob graduated from Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.—C. W. B.

CHAPEL SPEAKERS

The Bryan Family was abundantly blessed during the last week of April through the ministry of two visiting Bible teachers who spoke in the regular chapel services, in the Bible classes, and in special services each evening. Rev. W. W. Barndollar, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Valparaiso, Indiana, brought new thoughts on the old gospel and was well received by the students and faculty. Rev. Roscoe Smith of Knoxville, a Bryan friend of long standing, brought devotional and inspirational messages in the Chapel, and doctrinal expositions of Mark and Zephaniah in the Bible classes.—V. S.

EQUIPMENT WANTED

The University is in need of two automatic electric irons (alternating current) for the laundry. It is in need of a good sized automatic washing machine. If anyone knows where such equipment may be had, Mr. Rudd will be glad to hear about it. We find it impossible to get them in this part of the country. Please inquire at your nearby hardware shops and department stores; or some neighbor might be willing to sell duplicates they may possess, if they are in good condition.

Sam's Summary

Dear Folks:

I'm getting excited . . . for I believe we can make it! I mean, that with just \$2,950.28, we can reach the \$24,000 budget goal. And I believe that it's in the Lord's will for us to do it. This is the month when

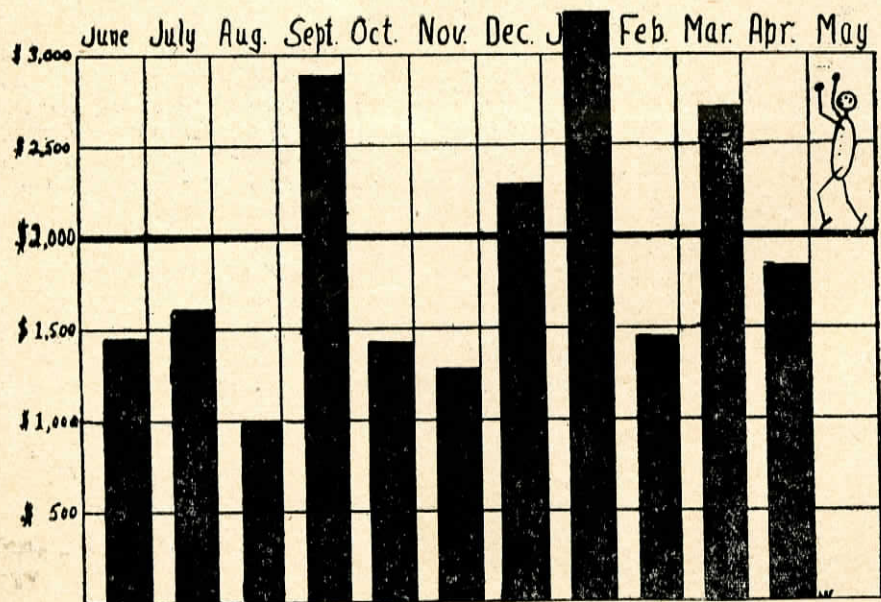
pulling together and praying together will put me over the top. Thanks for what you have done and for what you will yet do.

Rejoicing in Him,

Sam

April Gift Receipts

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				Total.....\$1,806.77			



Total to date.....\$21,049.72

FRIEND OF YOUTH MOVEMENT

George B. Pettit, assistant to President Rudd of Bryan, spent the two weeks from April 12th to 27th in the states of Ohio and Pennsylvania. In Columbus, Ohio, he attended the Second Annual Convention of the National Association of Evangelicals. Delegates from almost every state and from Canada enjoyed fellowship in a delightful Christian atmosphere. Most impressive was the sight of around 500 persons at the Monday night banquet on their knees, on the ballroom floor of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel, praying to God in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ for His blessing on the work of the convention and for His guidance of the newly elected officers.

In Altoona, Pennsylvania, Mr. Pettit was the guest of Mr. C. M. Lykens, District Director for the Bryan Friend of Youth Movement. In relinquishing the Directorship of the Altoona District to the Rev. W. W. Breckbill, editor of the METHODIST and pastor of the Broad Avenue Methodist Church, Mr. Lykens assisted in organizing a new committee. The committee is to be enlarged to include some of the Christian forces in the surrounding towns. From four to six scholarships at Bryan may be available in the Altoona district for the fall term. Mr. Pettit spoke at the Wednesday night prayer meeting of the Calvary Independent Baptist Church of which the Rev. Ralph Stoll is pastor.

In Lancaster, Pennsylvania, a committee was created for the purpose of organizing Bryan chapters throughout the country. Mr. C. H. Brubaker accepted the Directorship of the Lancaster District. At the Sunday evening service, April 23rd, Mr. Pettit spoke for Bryan at the Gospel Tabernacle in Elizabethtown, of which the Rev. Hiram LeFever is the pastor.

With the help of Dr. William Seibert Houck, a Bryan trustee, work was begun on a committee for the Harrisburg area. Mr. Pettit has expressed appreciation for courtesies extended him by friends and particularly the parents of present and former students.

Men do not usually reject the Bible because it contradicts itself, but because it contradicts them.